

**From:** Carolyn Smitherman  
**To:** David Rogers  
**Date:** 4/14/05 3:41PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Re: Garnishments in Juvenile Court

David, here is the response that I received from Brent Johnson. I believe that we should add the garnishment fees to the Juvenile Court Fee Schedule. Thanks ~

>>>> Brent Johnson 04/12/05 02:31PM >>>>

There should definitely be a \$35 fee collected in the juvenile courts. If the juvenile courts will be entering these type of money judgments, they will have to provide the garnishment mechanisms and collect the appropriate fees.

>>>> Carolyn Smitherman 04/06/05 02:50PM >>>>

Brent - I brought an item up at the recent Accounting Manual Committee Meeting and I was directed to you for an opinion on the following:

My Clerks received a garnishment on a juvenile court case. This was regarding a protective order case in which an individual was ordered to pay \$5,000.00 for attorney's fees for malicious prosecution. A lady had apparently lied on a Petition for a Protective Order and the Respondent had to hire counsel to defend the allegations. Garnishment proceedings on this case will be ongoing.

There is no reference to garnishment fees on the juvenile court fee schedule. Should a garnishment fee (we charge \$35.00 in the district court) be included on the juvenile court fee schedule or should garnishments in juvenile court be handled in a different manner? One suggestion at our meeting was that perhaps the judgment should be abstracted to the District Court and then the garnishment could proceed there.

One of my clerks called a couple of other courts and were informed that garnishments are starting to surface more and more in juvenile court. Most juvenile court clerks create a miscellaneous receipt for the \$35.00 garnishment fees.

Thank you in advance for your opinion on this matter.